Admission of Travancoreans to the Medical and Engineering Colleges, Madras.

18. **MR. C. P. THOMAS** (*Nominated*): (1) Are the Government aware that it is almost impossible to have Travancoreans admitted as students in the Engineering College and the Medical College, Madras, especially for the Degree course?

(2) Will the Government be pleased to consider the best way of remedying the evil?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (1) The Government understand that Travancore students experience difficulty in securing admission into the Madras Engineering and Medical Colleges.

(2) The question will be considered.

Opening a Magistrate's Court at Tiruvalla.

19. **MR. C. P. THOMAS** (*Nominated*): (1) Will the Government be pleased to state whether repeated representations have been made to them for opening a Magistrate's Court at Tiruvalla?

(2) Will the Government be pleased to redress the grievance at an early date?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (1) Yes.

(2) The matter is engaging the attention of the Government.

Circular against the Entertainment in Service of Caste-Hindus.

20. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have issued confidential instructions to any of the departmental heads not to appoint caste-Hindus in their departments, and, if it is a fact, the names of such departments and the reasons which influenced the Government in issuing such instructions;

(*b*) whether they have fixed any proportion in the matter of making appointments which persons belonging to different communities are eligible to hold, and, if so, to lay on the table a list showing the proportion fixed and the reasons for fixing that proportion?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The answers are in the negative.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know whether there is any circular issued to give preferential treatment to other communities than caste-Hindus?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is no such circular.

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